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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FILING  
OF RESPONSE UNDER RULE 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Petition is filed with the Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed 06 October 2003. The time period for submission of this Amendment was set to expire 06 January 2004.

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for an extension of time of one (1) month for filing the Amendment in the above-identified application, such extension to expire 06 February 2004, which time is within the statutory period.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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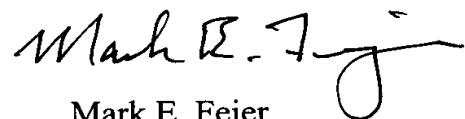
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Fee set in Rule 1.17 for the above-period to Deposit Account No. 502045. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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